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Civil Air Patrol/Cape May

From the Commander



CAPE MAY COUNTY SQUADRON CIVIL AIR PATROL

SQUADRON

The next couple of months will be busy for our squadron. We have the Wing Conference, GSAR School, US. Air Force Evaluation, the NER SAR-COMP, and a Flag Retirement Ceremony as well as assisting with the dedication of the World War II Tower in Cape May Point all coming up.

Congratulations to Major Richard Fellows and his wife on the birth of their newest family member, a healthy baby boy.

Now that day light savings time is here and the weather is getting better and better to fly, we need to get more of our cadets up and flying with orientation flights. Each cadet is entitled to receive 5 powered flights and 5 glider flights, at no cost to the cadet. Schedule your flight with Major Fellows to go flying.

I want to congratulate the entire squadron on their completion of 100% of the required OPSEC and Equal

Opportunity Training before the deadline set by National and Wing, we here at Cape May County Squadron are a group of CAN DO members. We still need to get our Emergency Services personnel up to speed with ICS Courses, as of this newsletter, we have 72% of our qualified ES Members completing the ICS Courses for their specialties. Let's try to get the rest completed before our busy time in the spring/summer.

Our squadron is currently working with the Cape May County Office of Emergency Management and the United States Coast Guard Training Center on Letters of Agreement to work with these agencies and utilize their facilities in conjunction with our squadron. Things are going quite well with both agencies; we will keep you posted on happenings.

Please remember, if you can not attend the meeting,
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call the squadron and leave a message on the answering machine with your name, reason, and date so we can mark you appropriately on the roster. This is just common courtesy and respect to your fellow members.

“SEMPER OPTIMUS “

Kevin L. Barstow, Captain/CAP



Upcoming Events:

4 April - NJ Wing Conference
17-19 April - GSAR
24-26 April - GSAR
1-3 May - GSAR
11-17 May - USAF SAR Evaluation

Anniversaries

1Lt Jessica Avellino
2Lt Lisa Barstow
SM John Carlson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Major Richard Fellows
C/Amn Ryan Fontaine
C/Amn Joseph Grandizio-
Papperman



Promotions

C/MSgt Craig Coughlin to C/SMSgt
C/SrA Brendan Flynn to C/SSgt

Administration

As a reminder to all members, all forms must be typed. Current forms and regulations are found at:

http://members.gocivilairpatrol.com/forms_publications_regulations/

Also, CAPF 5 packages will no longer be kept in the file cabinet. All pilot certification materials are available on the Operations page of the NJ Wing website:

<http://www.njwg.cap.gov/Operations/index.html>

Personnel

It is each member's responsibility to keep track of what is required for promotion. This includes senior members. Cadet requirements are found in the CMCCS OI 3-07. Senior Officer requirements are found in CAPR 39-3.

LtCol Richard Simon

To All Cadet Personnel:

Uniforms issued by USAF are accountable. When personnel leave, squadron uniforms will be turned in. This is a Must! If you have any questions, see Supply.

**Maj Wayne Ingling
2Lt Lisa Barstow
Supply Officers**

Cadet Program

Cadets-

There comes a time when we all must attend a CAP function outside of our squadron. That means Basic Encampment, SAREXes, Wing Conferences, and any other activity where you are outside our local unit (this includes any SAREX held in Cape May). I am asking you, as the Deputy Commander for Cadets, to make sure that you are aware that you are the faces of our squadron.

When attending these outside events, please have your uniform set up properly and looking neat. Also, you must also, at all times, remember your customs and courtesies. If you remember these, you will make our first impression better. If you show respect to officers from other squadrons and higher, it will bring credit on you, your superior officers, and your squadron.

**Capt Tony Simon
Deputy Commander for Cadets
NER NJ-009**



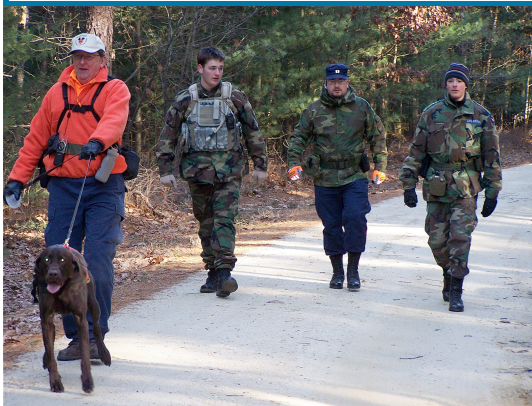
A Note From the Cadet Staff

To all who have participated in the CAP meeting for the past few weeks, great job and keep up the good work! I know the past PT night was mostly a wash for those who ran the shuttle due to wet and cold conditions, but that doesn't mean to give up. Continue to practice maybe 3-4 times a week and your times WILL drop in order for you to pass...and consider investing in snow spikes for your shoes, just in case! (joke) I hope everyone enjoyed and learned from the aerospace meeting we had this past month, directed by 2Lt Williams himself. Just a few more weeks and a few more tests away from building and launching those rockets. Thank you 2Lt Williams!

I am proud to say that every cadet in our squadron has passed the non-discrimination lesson and is on their way to a cleaner future. Now if only we could finish up those Emergency Services Courses! That way anyone can participate in a mission to gain some experience on what it's like. Also congratulations on the promotions this month, keep them coming! Last but **certainly** not least, let's get the word out to our school friends and family members about CAP. Let it be known to our peers that it is us that save people's lives and they can help. Besides...we could use some "fresh meat." (joke)

Semper Vigilance

C/TSgt Dylan Rutherford



The lastest issue of CAP's Northeast Region newsletter is on the NJ Wing website -

<http://www.njwgcap.org>

On the main page, scroll down until you see "NER Posts New Newsletter." Click on the link —our own 1Lt Akeret is on the cover with her search and rescue dog Chaos!



***Congratulations to Cadets
Flynn and Coughlin on their
promotions! Keep up the great
work!***



Public Affairs

Happy Spring to everyone! It's hard to believe that Spring is here, with Summer fast approaching. Time is moving quickly, and before you know it, it will be time for Basic Encampment. I mentioned last month that Basic Encampment is a great opportunity for new cadets to gain both knowledge and experience. It also is a pre-requisite for many National and Wing activities. Many of our cadets have attended Basic Encampment, so if you have any questions, be sure to ask your cadet staff. I am sure they would be happy to answer any questions you might have. I encourage everyone to get involved as much as possible and take advantage of all opportunities CAP has to offer.

Parents, we can always use your help also! Donations of snacks and drinks, as well as office supplies, are greatly appreciated. Parents can also join as Sponsor Members and Senior Members, which allows you to become involved and share in the fun! If you think you might like to get involved, please stop by at the next meeting and ask. We would be happy to tell you how you can help support the squadron!

Keep checking the squadron website— the calendar of events and other important information is updated regularly by Captain Barstow. Any questions, feel free to email me.

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From the Cadets

This week's newsletter is about school. We just finished up a movie called *Glory*. We also started to watch *Pride*. We are working on heating, Cooling, Plumbing, and Electricity. We are finishing that up then we are starting Building Trades and Carpentry. I had lab today.

C/AB Alexander Hudson

A lot has been going on at CAP lately. We've had an Aerospace Class and built rockets. I think everyone enjoyed that class. We had a good PT night a couple of weeks ago, we couldn't run the mile but we had fun anyway.

Some of our higher-grade cadets will be leaving us soon. I wish them the best of luck at the Academies. I hope they all do well in the service and I know they will serve their county to the best of their ability.

C/SSgt Dylan McLain

This week was a pretty average or normal week. I haven't really done anything that amazing for awhile. I had a few important tests in school and I'm pretty sure I passed (hopefully!). But at the next meeting I

will be testing for my next rank as Senior Airman. But for now that's about it.

C/A1C Louis Sicilia

This past week in Civil Air Patrol, we had Aerospace conducted by 2Lt Williams. During the class, we constructed rockets. Unfortunately, we did not get the chance to launch them. I hope we will launch them next Aerospace meeting. Mine was black and orange. So far CAP has been great.

C/Amn Ryan Fontaine

I had a lot of fun at the dog training mission. It was a lot of fun to train with the dogs. We also learned more about Grid Line searches and working more cohesively with the K-9's.

Last week we made rockets in our Aerospace Education Class, which we have once a month. Unfortunately, we didn't finish the rockets yet. When we're done we are going to launch them.

C/Amn John Edwards

From the Cadets

This past SAREX was a unique experience for me. It was the first time that I have participated as ground team leader on an extensive practice mission. I learned a lot about being in charge of a ground team, the chief lesson being that you must maintain control and accountability constantly or even the best of teams will wander. This will serve me well in the future as I am nearly 18 and I have almost completed all necessary tasks for qualification. In the meantime, while I am waiting to turn 18, I hope to train for some of the basic staff positions like Mission Staff Assistant and Mission Radio Operator.

C/SMSgt Craig Coughlin

A few weeks ago, 2Lt Williams conducted an aerospace class for the squadron in which all the cadets began construction on model rockets. I was very happy to see that all of the cadets were participating actively and having fun while building the models. We have another aerospace class scheduled for April, so hopefully we will be able to finish the rockets then, and watch them shortly afterward. I think everybody agrees that having hands-on, involve aerospace classes is much better than merely reading out of a book.

The New Jersey Wing Encampment is being held this summer at Ft. Dix

and McGuire AFB. Encampment is the best training opportunity available to junior cadets; not only do you learn about basic followership and leadership skills, but you also get the chance to visit and tour an active duty Air Force Base. In addition, going to encampment opens up opportunities to attend NCSAs, including activities such as Cadet Officer School (COS) and Pararescue Jumper Orientation Course (PJOC).

C/Capt Tristan Kooker

If you are one of the many pranksters who don't know what to do this April Fool's, I have a couple good ideas from a book my Grandmother gave me. On March 31st, tie a knot in one of the legs of the pair of pants your brother is most likely to wear the next day (if he doesn't wear them, it'll just be a late April Fool's prank). When the "THUD" of your brother hitting the floor wakes you up, mission success! Something else annoying: first, make sure that you're having hamburgers (or anything that needs condiments) for dinner. Then, mix-up the contents of a ketchup bottle and a mustard bottle (make sure the bottles are colored). My brother hates ketchup!

C/SSgt Brendan Flynn